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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to an Office Action dated October 22, 2002 (Paper No. 11). A request for the appropriate extension of time in which to respond is being filed herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 24, without prejudice, and amend claims 25, 28, and 30, as follows:

25. (Amended) A recombinant antibody, or an antigen binding fragment thereof, which selectively binds to a modified integrin I-domain in the open conformation.